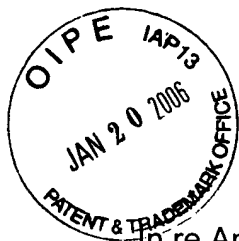


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Application No.: 10/035,589)	Group Art Unit: 2193
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Filed: December 28, 2001)	Examiner: Chuong D. Ngo
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(i)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(i), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 form. Applicant files this Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) after payment of the issue fee for the above application, but before issuance of the patent. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner place this IDS in the file for this application. Applicant does not consider the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 form to be material to patentability, though these documents are being cited to fully comply with the duty of disclosure.

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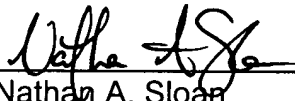
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Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW,
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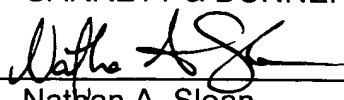
REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicant is in receipt of the Notice of Allowance and attached Notice of Allowability dated May 6, 2005. Applicant requests that the Examiner consider and return acknowledgment of the references listed on the form PTO SB/08 which Applicant filed on June 21, 2005. For the convenience of the Examiner, copies of the Information Disclosure Statement and PTO form SB/08 filed June 21, 2005 are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW,
GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(d), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents on the attached listing. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after a Notice of Allowance but before payment of the issue fee and is accompanied by a fee of \$180.00 as specified under § 1.17(p) and a certification as specified under § 1.97(e). Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

Based on reasonable inquiry, no document listed in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and no document listed in this Information Disclosure Statement was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing date of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Copies of the U.S. patent publications are not enclosed. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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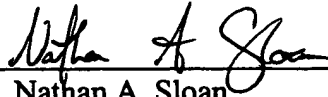
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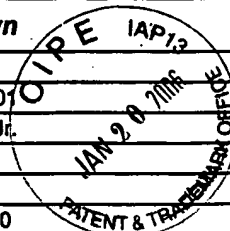
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1. Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 CFR 1.97(b) (2 pages);
2. Form PTO/SB/08 with a copy of the listed reference excluding US patents;
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Dated: June 21, 2005

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